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Mr. Joseph N. Goodwin  
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Washington, D.C. 20025

Dear Mr. Goodwin:

I have recently been informed that the Central Intelligence Agency has produced a short, unclassified film which may be available to public organizations about the Agency and how it works. In a few weeks the Student Press Association will hold its annual College Editors Conference at the Shoreham Hotel (Feb. 13-16) for some 500 student editors from all across the country, and I would like your opinion on whether to show the film then.


Quite a lot of not terribly useful discussion has gone on in the past over the Agency's activities, and I think editors now would simply like to know informationally about it, and to the extent that it can be discussed, how policy is formulated. Since I understand that the movie is a recent production and is of high quality, I think that you might find a meeting of student editors a particularly appropriate place to present the film. Given both the nature of our conference's theme--"The Economics of Social Disorder"--and the increasingly important value of understanding the exigencies of governmental administration, it seems to me important that students begin to get a better understanding of the Agency's role and work.

I might add that in addition to our hotel conference program--which includes such guests as Ralph Nader, Karl Deutsch, Walter Reuther, Paul McCracken, Ray Tanter, Daniel Suits, Bayard Rustin, and others--we have scheduled a number of interviews and briefings with governmental agencies, research institutions, policy advisors, etc.

If the film is available--and I certainly hope that it is--I can be reached at this office for the rest of the week after which I shall be out of town until early February. After this week USSPA Administrative Assistant Sharon Cooke can discuss the matter with you.

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

  
Frank Browning, Coordinator  
College Editors Conference